

Appl. No. : 10/736,431
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REMARKS

Examiner has asserted the instant application contains claims directed to the following distinct species.

Species 1 – Figures 1-7.

Species 2 – Figures 8-10

Species 3 – Figure 11;

Species 4 – Figures 12-15.

Applicant elects Species 1 without traverse for prosecution on the merits.

Applicant has amended claims 2, 12, 16, and 36, cancelled claims 1, 4, and 5, and added new claim 42. Claims 6-11, 18, 21-35 are withdrawn from consideration without prejudice and applicant reserves the right to pursue these claims in a continuation or divisional application.

Claims 2-3, 12-17, 19-20, 36-42 read on Species 1 and are herewith elected for prosecution.

CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully asserts that the claims now pending are allowable over the prior art. Therefore, Applicant earnestly seeks a notice of allowance and prompt issuance of this application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 502317.

Respectfully submitted,
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